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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Special Assistant to the Director for Planning and Development

SUBJECT

ARC Middle East Requirements

1. This week, as you know, coverage of the Middle East was accomplished in two missions, one for Egypt and one covering the north and east area. The ARC is agreeable that in the present circumstances one mission a week covering the area (two sorties, one for the north and one for the south) should be adequate. I have so informed Operations DPS/DCI. Requirements will be updated as of the COB Friday, and Operations DPS/DCI will lay its plans for running the sorties for the first of the week.

2. A part of this cutback arises from the investigation which I
referred to orally of the hardness and promptness of
The tentative report I have is that the source is reliable,
and the Navy is now, at long last, investigating whether the reporting
is timely enough for them and ways of improving it.

3. I fear that they may think me a bit rough because of my insistence that it is just as important to ensure knowledge of reliability and promptness of reporting from some other source as it is from ours, in which regard they have at no point spared our time and effort.

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JAMES Q. REBER Chairman

Ad Hoc Requirements Committee

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